

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE 27 Apr 58 | 2. LOCATION 33,50 N 130,45W Pacific | 12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 27/0953Z | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar | |
| 5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 6. SOURCE Military | |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1½ mins | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one | 9. COURSE West |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Obj of bright orange-red ball which fanned out similar to jet afterburner though was traveling straight & level in same direction as a/c. Became smaller and disappeared. | | 11. COMMENTS Description & characteristics are suggestive of a jet/a/c w/afterburner in operation. |



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TO: Commander
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FOR THE COMMANDER:

J. W. Connelly
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Director of Intelligence

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IR-552-1-58, Air Intell
Info Rpt, 28 Apr 58 (Uncl)

*From the date
of this report
to the date of
this report
there is no
information
available
on the subject
of the report.*

*ATT Conclusion:
From the limited
data you describe
and characteristics of object
are suggested of a jet plane
and its operation in question.*

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| AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT | | | |
| COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERN Coast of California | | DATE OF INFORMATION 27 April 58 | |
| ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT 552nd AEW&C Wing Intelligence | | DATE OF COLLECTION 27 April 58 | SRI STATUS (If applicable) SRI NO. |
| PREPARING INDIVIDUAL James J. Hayes, 1/Lt., USAF Intelligence Officer | | DATE OF REPORT 28 April 58 | SRI NO. CANCELED/COMPLETE |
| NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE William T. Mauser, 1/Lt., USAF Aircraft Commander | | EVALUATION B-2 | SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE |
| ACTIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date) | | | |

REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

Unidentified Flying Object

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

At 0953Z, 27 April 1958, three members of an AEW&C RC-121, spotted a bright orange-red object which passed in front of the aircraft. The object had not been picked up on the aircraft's radar and a check with the land-based ground site indicated no known aircraft flying in the area of the sighting. (Details, see Part II of this report.)

COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER

The sighting was made by three persons, who are familiar with the area of the incident and the nature of airborne traffic in that area. The pilot conceded that it may have been an afterburner but felt a report should be made since: 1. Visibility was good but no aircraft structure could be seen; 2. The object was not picked up by the radar of the RC-121; and 3. A check with the land-based ground site reported no known aircraft in the area of the sighting. On this basis further investigation by technically qualified personnel seems warranted.

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| FROM (Agency) 552nd AEW&C Wing McClellan AFB, California | REPORT NO. IR-552-1-58 | PAGE 2 OF 2 PAGES |
| <p>Par 7d, ADCM 200-2:</p> <p>(1) (a) Pin, built up to about 1 1/2 by 3/4 inches. Similar to jet afterburner. (b) Same as above (a) (c) Orange-red (d) One (e) N/A (f) Bright orange-red ball which fanned out similar to jet afterburner though no aircraft was seen or tracked on radar. (g) See (f) (h) None (i) Described above</p> <p>(2) (a) Visual by pilot (b) Angle 7 to 10 degrees below aircraft <i>To front/rear/side? 110°</i> (c) Same as (2) (b) above (d) Straight and level in same direction as aircraft (e) Object became smaller and disappeared (f) 1 1/2 minutes</p> <p>(3) (a) Visual-airborne sighting, no radar or other electronic pick-up (b) None (c) RC-121, 9000', 320°, 175K, McClellan AFB, California</p> <p>(4) (a) 0953Z — 9 = 0053 (b) Night</p> <p>(5) 03350N, 13045W <i>WEST OF OAHU over PACIFIC</i></p> <p>(6) (a) N/A (b) (1) William T. Mauser, 1/Lt., 552nd AEW&C Wing, 964th Sqdn, Aircraft Commander, Reliable (2) William Selren, 2/Lt., 552nd Wing, 964th Sqdn, Nav, Reliable (3) Owin M. King, M/Sgt., 552nd Wing, 964th Sqdn, Inst Engineer, Reliable</p> <p>(7) (a) Broken cloud decks at 3000 and 14000', Stratocu, Wind 295/17K (b) N/A (c) See (7) (a) above (d) 25 miles, plus (e) See (7) (a) above (f) None</p> <p>(8) None</p> <p>(9) Checked with ground site</p> <p>(10) Track 345 degrees, 10000', 24 miles out, Outbound</p> <p>(11) James J. Hayes, 1/Lt., USAF, Intelligence Officer, 552nd AEW&C Wing. See COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER.</p> <p>(12) Negative</p> | | |

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